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FOUR HUNDRED MEN IMPRISONED IN MINE MAY BE SAVED ALIVE

Earth Shocks Felt, Believed Men every foot I progressed and my were some flowers on the coffin. Four Are Signalling They Are Still Alive

Coroner's Inquest.

Implicit obedience by Engineer

Cowley declared that after the cage

with the men in it had been raised, it

A Thrilling Story.

warned him to get close to the road-

Passed 65 Miners.

"At one point we passed about 65

THRILLING STORY OF WORK OF 14 HEROIC RESCUERS

Only One of Whom Survived the Ordeal--Miner Who Had Narrow Escape Tells Graphic Story --Officials Decide to Open Shaft--Mine Best Equipped in the Country

Cherry, Illy, Nov. 14.-Nearly four or alive, was greater than at first he- almost overcome by the smoke, hundred human beings, men and lieved. boys, it is now feared, are dead or Among the missing are many Amer-

perishing in the St. Paul mine here, ican men who have lived for years though Henry Burke, an official of and reated their families in the minthe mine, today reported to President ing sections of Illinois, though a ma-A. J. Earling of the Chicago, Milwau- jority of those who never may be kee rallway that farmers whose land found alive are foreign born. is over the southern end of the mine felt several concussions of the earth this afternoon and that the men who John Cowley to the orders of his sufelt these shocks were convinced that perior may have caused the death of the shocks were from shots fired by a rescuing party which went down inthe imprisoned miners to signal that to the St. Paul mine yesterday after- McGil and his young son. They left they are still alive, Burke's informant noon. was John Reid, son of one of the im- coroner's inquest, which began this prisoned men. Burke went at once to morning. He according to the tes-

Earling is Hopeful. "The men report", said Burke, "that before Moseberg went down in the

is at least encouraging."

some of the men are alive."

Experts who penetrated the smoke munication with the engineer by the

That the fire has been extinguished raise the cage. is the conclusion of the mining ex- Cowley refused, acting under Neur perts and inspectors sent here by berg's orders, he total the coroner's Gov. Deneen to investigate. jury. For ten minutes he would not

For more than thirty hours the listen to their frantic appeals, but imprisoned men have been cut off finally referred the matter to John from fresh air and undoubtedly have Quinby of the top cage. Quinby hesbeen subjected to the smoke which itated and machinist John Shadester filled the veins of the mine. That life told Cowley he should raise the cage, could exist under such conditions an saying, Cowley testified "nobody is parent is doubted by many, but be alive down there", cause of no trace of high temperature; Cowley then brought the cage to was found in the depths of the mine the top, but every one of the men tonight, it is hoped the miners may in the rescue party was either dead or have found safety in the remote re- dying.

cesses of the mine. More Apparatus Ordered. After a third attempt to explore was let down and raised five or six

conditions today, R. Y. Williams, of times. The inquest will be resumed Urbana, Ill., of the United States tomorrow. Geological Survey, who superintended the work of the votunteer explor- William Vickers, who was at work ers, protected with oxygen caps and at the face of the mine, was one of The story of thirteen heroes who apparatus, telegraphed to Urbana for the few who came out alive. For more of the apparatus.

This is expected to arrive early to the dark on his hands and knees usmorrow and a score of men have vol- ing the rail as a guide to the bottom smoke to tell the ghastly story, is unteered to accompany the experts of the shaft. At one point, he says, being related here today in all its Three times Williams and Henry and were waiting resignedly for Smith, a volunteer were lowered into death, the mine in buckets. Each time they "I and my buddy (partner) were at succeeded in penetrating deeper and work on the second vein level when were assured that the temperature the alarm of fire was sounded," said was bearable. Though to open the Vickers. "We started for the botsealed main shaft and exit of the tom, but had gone but a few feet mine was impossible today as it when our lights went out. The entry might have fanned the flames into was tast ming with smoke which the smoldering embers yet remaining, blinded us and made us gasp for the state inspectors here, among breath. them James Taylor, of Peoria, David, "Several times we attempted to Ross of Springfield, Henry Hudson, light our lamps without success. All, of Galva, and others, announced to about us we could hear the shouts of but he shows no other scars. When the public con- that no man had a right to live in cess of law, executed the negro fiend tender mercy. Mine Inspector Steele that they felt our comrades in adjoining rooms, asked to describe his experiences he assured that definite results could be who, like ourselves had been left in the dark. Calling to my buddy I had

secured tomorrow. Will Explore Further.

When the explorations were aban- bed and myself dropped to my hands doned tonight, it was announced that and knees and began to crawl along men fitted with oxygen armor would the rails shouting at intervals to my resume operations as early as possi-buddy to let him know where I was,

today, and reached the total of 385, miners sitting by the roadside alincluding the dead, whose charred most in a stupor. I tried to rouse bodies were taken from the burning them and encourage them to go on, cages Saturday afternoon. It is de- but they seemed to have given up all finding him still alive picked up the praved public conscience. clared probable that this list might hope and did not stir. I had no time unconscious form and staggered on

A hundred and seventy men who to send back relief from the shaft. Is believed the miner and the boy exerted in the direction of securing events in Cairo, past and present, newspapers will teem with their uncertainty of the sexual terror nor set the example to others entered the mine Saturday morning The sight of my doomed comrades is have been accounted for. The com- sometingn that will hauny me to my pany had scores of tracers at work dying day. today rounding up the employes and "When within 100 feet of the mine fields arrived today. Thomas Hudat nightfall the officals admitted that mouth, I began to grow faint from the number of men in the mine, dead the effects of smoke and exhaustion.

the way out and encouraged by the Cairo. light held by the cage man, managed to reach the shaft and was carried with me to safety."

Tobacco Sack Saves Lives.

A tobacco sack was the means o saving the lives of John Phillips and Edward Suffolk, miners in the second found Surrock lying on the track in the main entry. He dragged the form of his comrade until he himself was

He searched for something to cover his nose and mouth. The only thing available was a small sack in which he had tobacco. Emptying it he put one end to his mouth and pulled the rest of it over his nose and fastened it about his head with the string. By crawling with his head close to the rail, he struggled toward the shaft dragging his almost lifeless comrade

One of the pathetic incidents of the the place where they were working when the alarm was given and before Earling and has not slept since ar timony of Cowley, who is engineer of boy began to grow dizzy. Clasping half the journey was completed the riving on the scene of the accident, the main shaft, he had been told by his father's hand he sank to his third vein boss Alexander Moseberg, knees, exclaiming weakly:

meant for assurance that at least cage only on answer to the regular father took the new unconscious son bell code. When the rescue party and taking off his belt, strapped the "Oh, I hope so", said Earling. 'That had been at the bottom of the shaft boy on his back and struggled on. some time without getting into com- Within sight of the shaft he stag filled air shaft to a depth of three usual means, Martin Powers, Dr. sciousness, he yelled for help and his to Cowley and demanded that he

Late tonight it was decided to open the main shaft in the morning and to send explorers into the mine in the regular cage.

W. W. Taylor, general superintend ent of the mines of the St. Paul company, is a pathetic figure. As he stood today watching the movements gestions. Deeply affected he some times sobbed aloud. He said the country and that the catastrophe could have happened in no other way than as it did.

Thousands Attracted. Thousands of persons came

Cherry today from Streator, Mendota, Ladd, Spring Valley, LaSalle, Ottawa and other towns on special

went to death in the blazing shaft more than 200 yards he crawled in and of one man who came back seared by fire and blackened by mining in this country.

Dr. Howe, Hero. Standing out above all the others

is the story of Dr. L. B. Howe, the only one of the heroic fourteen who survives to tell what happened. Seven times before other rescuers began to go down into the burning shaft he went down alone in a lift and ers owe their lives to him.

Today his hands are badly burned,

"It is not worth talking about. Besides I am very busy today".

The disaster brought out tonight many unnamed heroes. Among these was a miner, who, while fighting his way through the blinding smoke, stumbled acros the body of a "trapper" boy overcome at his post of duty at one of the trap doors that public officer acts as the public concontrols the air supply.

to lose and continued on expecting until he met one of the rescuers. It reached the surface safely.

All the state mine inspectors from ten districts comprising the coal

AFTER SIX DAYS OF TERROR CAIRO HAS QUIET SUNDAY

The funeral service of the late Henry , Salzner yesterday morning was the Deputy County Clerk Clutts Issued of the terrible events of last week. F. Garrett, 29, and Geneva McChristmal people there is no shadow of dis-Besides the father, mother, brother witnesses to the coremony. and sister of deceased there were a The smoke was growing more dense number of friends present, and there courage was fast growing. I pulled pall bearers accompanied the hearse to a citizen while here last week: 'I words cannot describe the terrible my coat closely about my face and and mourners to the Central Union have been called out at various times truth-nor the mind quite grasp the bending closely to the rail struggled station, where the party took 11:15 train for Anna.

At Anna, former home of the deand when I came to I was safely on at the grave and in half an hour the Col. Lang left the city Friday. party returned from the cemetery, My buddy had followed closely all taking the evening train back to

ngs much of the time.

Citizens moved about in an ordinary way. The churches were all crowded morning and evening, and strong sermor : were preached in several of them, bearing upon the topic appermest in the public mind. The tate militia patrolled the streets at imes, keeping close watch on the people and their doings. It is understood that two militias will be ordere! t will be ordered out of service tomorrow morning.

COMPLAINT ABOUT SALOONS. Two complaints were made yester-

ay to Chief Egan that two saloons 'ocated in the central part of the city were selling beer and liquor. Two offialoons shut tight. One of the prorietors was out of the city yesterday

MILITIA ARRESTED NEGRO. A squad of militia arrested a negro

vesterday and after examining him turned him over to the police authorities who locked him up in the city mind of many of the women of the to open the mine he made helpful sug- the neck of the battle showing quite Washington. Mr. Connell is machin prominently and when asked where ist-operator at The Bulletin office and he had obtained the liquor, he refused was called up by Mrs. Connell who mine was the safest built in this to answer. The squad then searched assured him that there were burglars him and found a big gun on him. He in the house. Mr. Connell went home lity, Tenn. He was not deemed dangerous by the military authorities.

incident, for the time being, a marriage license yesterday to John to the viewpoint of all perfectly norwas held at the family resi- ter, 26, both of Wickliffe, Ky. They grace in the treatment that the worse on Sixteenth street, Rev. Arm- there married in the clerk's office by than brute "Frog" received. The disstrong officiating. It was a brief, Judge Hannon shortly after 2 o'clock, simple service, and impressive withal about twenty militiamen acting as law (?) take its course, and in cold

Good People in No Danger.

Col. Lang of the state militia said the to protect the law-abiding people of living death of this pure woman, in communities against rioters, and the the last eight or nine last hours of county, this state is afflicted with, presumption was that my mission When I arrived at the bottom ceased, little interest was shown. It here would be the same. But since of the shaft the last cage was about was rainy, and a few people were coming here I fand a different state to ascend. I shouted as the signal at the station when the party left the of things, for I have received no re- effort, clutching at the ground with weak-minded, unsophisticated bell was ringing and two men broke train, three or four of whom accome quest for protection from anyonetheir way to me and dragged me to panied the remains and attendants to the good citizens of Cairo do not seem the cage. I then lost consciousness the cemetery. There was no service to feel that they are in any danger"

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY.

lay night comparatively few of which with young life, would await the slow society and their own will ever be seen in print was the fol- process of so-called justice. Missou- dence is manufactured and we have It was rainy and very quiet. The lowing: A prominent citizen who ri and Kentucky said they would only to refer to one of the victims expected throngs of visitors from ad- was one of the on-lookers was asked avenge if Cairo did not. Thanks to a of this week's tragedy, where a purjoining cities did not materialize by another "Do you know that man leader, Cairo can claim that she is ported statement so crudely drawn by one or two excursions came into the who is climbing up there over the alive to the best interests and im- a hireling, so unreasonable considcity; but they were small and the arch?" (meaning the man who had pulses of life. visitors did not enjoy themselves, turned on the lights and was making. The coming of the troops was an cross, but—to bear on and influence for the saloons were all closed and his way to the center of the arch with awful mistake, costing the state good the minds of a "well" selected jury. wandering about in the drizzling rain the rope). "No," said the other, "I money, sending good money after. Our jury system is at fault and Hd not afford much pleasure. They don't know him. I wish I did know bad. The destruction of all the low should be changed. were huddled in groups under awn- him; but if I did know him I wouldn't dives that breed pestilence worse know him."

One at Anna.

But ten negroes at work in a quartown were left undisturbed until the day of the lynching in Cairo when greed, of worldy ambition has caused judges doing the selecting. quarry. The negroes heard of this life sinks into significance. Saloons, and left for the woods and they have gambling houses, bad houses, are not not been heard of in that vicinity at only tolerated, but encouraged.

False Report.

A rumor gained ground in the upper part of the city that the man ers were detailed to make an invest who began an exhortation to the the signals were distinct and were mine after the explosion to move the Although greatly weakened the tigation of the cases, but found both crowd gathered in front of the court house Friday night was Rev. Throg morton of the M. E. church South at and his bartender was asked some Thirty-sixth and Elm streets. This is uestions by Chief Egan but satisfied not true. The exhorter was an infin gered and fell. Before losing con- him that there was absolutely nothing erant preacher who conducts a goshundred feet late today with a ray of Howe, and Herbert Lewis, the latter cries were heard. The rescuers pick- tin that he did not know the nature of heed and causes that lead up to been made a mockery, in order to pay sold. Chief Egan stated to The Bulle, pel tent at Twentieth street and Comhope for the relatives of the en- a brother of one of the party, rushed ed up the two forms and bore them to the evidence Col. Ryman, who re- was at his home all that day. It was the cage and they were hoisted to the ported the matter to him had, as he this rumor which led Mis. Throgmorhad not been able to see the colonel, ton to be so much alarmed when

Cats Were "Burglars".

An incident showing the state of iail. When he was first seen he had a city occurred late Saturday night at mart bottle of whiskey in his pocket the home of Frank Connell, on lower claimed to have come from Union to investigate and found two cats in

MOBS AND CRIME DENOUNCED IN CAIRO PULPITS YESTERDAY

terday morning and last evening element entirely. He said that the and mining inspectors into the air he met about 65 miners sitting in a details and forms one of the most strong words were spoken by way of worst class of criminal was the shaft which was opened late today, row who had given up the struggle thrilling narratives in the history of comment upon the tragedies of last criminal negro, the worst creature on week. The buildings were thronged with interested listeners who seemed had "patted this class on the head, as to approve what was said, generally one pats a dog on the head to make speaking. A brief synopsis of what him do his bidding." He said this the gentlemen said is here presented: is wrong, declaring "you would not night. In ferociously dramatic fash-

REV. OHRUM-CAIRO BAPTIST Although the gathering at the Cairo Baptist church last evening was not large, neither small, all present were each time brought to the surface his undoubtedly much interested in the Cairo look to the real manhood of human passion, human resentment monster, the hideous abortion of quota of the saved. Twenty-five min- words of Rev. Ohrum, the pastor. His the community for protection, and and human revenge broke forth-en nature who committed the bloody which is uppermost in the minds of fying of the public conscience, and science for the outbreak Thursday Cairo, no right to be called a man, who from the vitest motives foully night, which resulted in taking the wh would not respond to this appeal, murdered an unprotected and helpless law out of the hands of the officials and aid in squelching the dives, the innocent white working girl on the called a mot, who have temporarily and administering it in punishing one breeding place of crime, and make public streets and alleys of the city taken the law into their own hands

> Rev. Ohrum spoke to the effect that 'we have a depraved public conscience. That is, the majority of the

a better enforcement of the laws follows: against criminal classes, mob violence "Cairo stands disgraced today, not that the military force that was brought here was not necessary; if it was there should be a great "house

In several of Cairo's churches yes-cleaning," to drive out the criminal earth, and said that the politician pat a mad dog on the head with your hand-you would use a club!"

entire discourse was on the subject are pleading with them for the puri-veloping, engulfing, destroying. of the greatest crimes ever commit. Cairo a safe place for women to last Monday night. live in.

REV. BABCOCK-EPISCOPAL.

Rev. Babcock, tector of the Church community think downward. The of the Redeemer, Episcopal, took for outraging the proprieties and im up originally when they entered the science directs, and the reign of morning "Individual Responsibility." The miner felt the boy's heart, and crime and vice is traceable to a de and his text was St. John, 9th chapter, 21st verse, "He is of age, ask him, bilities and preventing that which we do not doubt that they did it in The pastor declared that if the real he shall speak for himself." That heaven itself was powerless to pre the most effective possible way. manhood of this community was not part of the sermon bearing on the

would be occurring oftener. He said for its lynchings, but for having per-

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PEOPLE EXPRESS OPINIONS ON EVENTS OF LAST WEEK

blood await its decrees.

crime

her place.

and the time is ripe.

Let's impeach our mayor unless he

PEOPLE NOT TO BLAME

especially to inform these metropoli-

same conditions and surroundings as

do those on the spot. Let it be said

Editor Bulletin: Noting the va-

A MOTHER OF FIVE.

right here-no more God fearing, cul-Editor of the Bulletin: According tured, kindly disposed, law abiding or better people live on this broad con

tinent, than do in the cay of Cairo, To summarize. Laws are supposed tatives to protect society, and to grace would have been to let the deal out justice,, but since these statutes are not enforced, the arm of that even this, the most being ple corrupt or wholly incompetentand how do they get there? Not ever committed anywhere. instances through "polities"

This is one cancer this city, this her life, in a filthy den, then not what applies to Chicago in the jury quite dead, dragged into an alley, grafting outrages afflicts Cairo in the where she made one last convulsive same manner; ill'terate, incompetent, one hand, and drawing up one knee, are hunted up by hir lings of the othere exposed, mutilated horribly, ficers and made jarors, who do not laid until hours after, a little child weigh the evidence, for they are not saw her and ran screaming with fear competent, are easily and fright from the gruesome horror, that had a few hours before been a yers who scorn and laugh at justice Among the many incidents of Thurs- wholesome, sweet woman, palpitating and who care more for hiere than for

> Can we not gain knowledge from than death would have been a bless the experience of older nations?

In most European nations to be ing, then the money spent on this unnecessary possession of Cairo by reg-drafted a juror is quite a distinction As is known the people of Anna, in iment after regiment could have been and honor, made so, why? Because Union county, do not like negroes and used for some worthy purpose. The only men of means, of superior intelwill not permit them to reside there negress who kept this dive was worse ligence, who are respected and known if possible, than the frequenters of for their integrity and from widely different localities are drafted and The unsatiable love of graft and the lawyers have little choice, the

away today, leaving only Co. K. and a party of Anna men started for the a selfishness so corrupt that human Were the victims of this week's tragedy guilty?

To this query the jury with one acclaim and that is every citizen of Cairo and if there are any dissenters, does to the letter what our city gov- they are of the lawless element, or of ernment instructs him to Go, and all the low negro element, for the better in authority. All the entertainment class of colored people express them-Cairo really needs is a clean city selves as in hearty sympathy and for summary justice to such enlprits, as

the cleaning out process. For the further information of the metropolitan press, we breake just why the long pent up feelings finally of the metropolitan press on the gave vent. like a volcano events of the history making week the connivance and very assistance such fearful tragedles are not amiss, political debts, etc. Deputies were appointed who are although freed by itan journals with facts, they are not this very law, in the eyes of citizens and could not be acquainted with manderers. We have a coterie of unless they lived and breathed the such too numerous to mention, white

OPINIONS OF THE EDITORS ON CAIRO AND ITS TROUBLES

"CAIRO REDEEMS HERSELF."

(Belleville News-Democrat.)

and every sentimental reformer in the state. They are simply resuming the country is today nurling his anothe reins of government which for conmas against the city of Cairo for thus siderations of expediency they gave pudently setting the law of the land civil compact or the social contract. aside. Public officials will be blamed They have performed the supremest. for not performing physical impossi function of organized society, and vent. Tomorrow the columns of the their stereotyped tommyrot.

Yet the world will move on just the same, and the good city of Cairo will be but little perturbed by the pink tea and custard pie disquisitions.

Nearly every shade of opinion may | Opposed on principle to capital be found in the press of the country punishment by law, we yet confess upon the event of last week in Cairo, that we think just a little more of the As a matter of course, comparatively city of Cairo today than we did yesfew of the writers have a full, clear terday. It seems that we have not knowledger of the dircumstances quite reached that high stage in our which have prevailed here for some civilization when the infliction of the years past and which brought upon death penalty for some crimes can be this community the sanguinary week with safety altogether dispensed with. just past. The following, selected So long as virgin girls are ravished from a large number of papers that and murdered by human hyenas, so have found their way to The Bulle long will there be hangings to hold, tin's exchange desk are among the and even Judge Lynch will be asked to get busy once in a while.

As a test take the facts and circumstances in this case home to yourself and then say what you think of it. Suppose that Anna Pelly, the inno-

In Cairo, Illinois, there were wild cent girl, working hard in a store to and weird scenes enacted Thursday make an honest living, and on her way home after her day's toil, outragion the infuriated populace staged a ed by a fiend and then brutally murtragedy in contemplation of which dered, had been your sister or your In concluding his sermon Rev. the entire nation stands aghast and daughter, what say you then should Ohrum declared that the women of appalled. The pent-up fountains of be done with the beast, the frightful and cowardly deed. Hanging is too good for him and burning too full of

What is the sense in raving and ranting against a people vulgarly and avenged an awful crime and met-Every prude and every hypocrite ed out rough justice? They are the

Legal executions do not strike the tious and sanctimonious homilies and who might become offenders in a sim-

ilar way as lynchings do. What is the use in being a bypo-

crite? Be honest, Tell the truth. Re-